

**REMARKS**

Claims 2-9, 13 and 14 and are pending in the present application. Claims 23-26 were canceled.

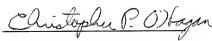
Applicants thank the Examiner for the allowance of claims 2-9, 13 and 14.

**Conclusion**

The examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if in the opinion of the examiner such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

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